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## It's not the heat, dust or smoke, but negative comments from public that is leaving traffic police officers perturbed

# IMPORTANCE OF BEING POLITE

### Cops rate 7-point Likert scale from 'not at all stressful' to 'very stressful'

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If you have a two-wheeler or a four-wheeler, chances are you have been stopped by the Bengaluru Traffic police at least once. However, next time, try to be a tad courteous, or polite so to speak.

According to a recent study on operational stressors amongst the traffic police officers in Bengaluru, it is not the heat, dust or smoke, but the negative comments from the public that is leaving the officers perturbed.

The study conducted by the researchers at the department of psychiatry and general medicine of Dr BR Ambedkar Medical College looked at operational stressors associated with the occupation and measured them with the help of a set of questionnaires.

The participants were asked to rate how stressful each stressor was for them on a seven-point Likert scale ranging from 'not at all stressful' to 'very stressful.' The results show the topmost operational stressor that impacts the traffic officials in the city the most is 'Negative comments from the public.'

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> "As many as 76% of officials that participated in our study marked a high score for 'negative comments from public' as stressor
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> — Dr Haleemath Thabsheera, co-author of study

# White-top, drain-shop

### 'There was no waterlogging or rainwater entering temple till BBMP's white-topping of 100 Feet Road'

Three shops constructed on a drain near Sundara Anjaneya Swamy Temple

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It seems the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has turned a blind eye to encroachment by the Muzrai department. Three shops were constructed on a roadside drain near Sundara Anjaneya Swamy Temple on 100 Feet Road, Indiranagar.

After the BBMP took up white-topping of the 100 Feet Road alongside the redesign of the roadside drain, rainwater started entering Sundara Anjaneya Swamy Temple whenever it rains heavily — the contractor is not able to revive the drain or remove silt from within the drain on which three shops are constructed.

"There was no waterlogging or rainwater entering the temple till the BBMP took up white-topping of 100 Feet Road. We have been finding it difficult to enter the temple whenever it rains heavily, for more than a year now. We have already brought this problem to the notice of the Muzrai

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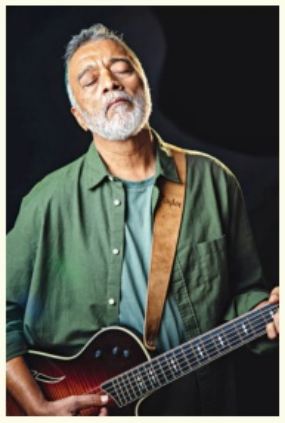
## 3 THINGS TO DO

### 01 Foibles of human nature

Kathputliyan Theatre, in association with Karnataka Urdu Academy, Bengaluru, presents "Pyaar Ke do Pehlu", a collection of two short Urdu plays on Saturday. Sadhe chay rupey ka kya kiya is a Hindi play, translated from a Marathi play, and is a peculiar love story of a husband and wife and their playful conflicts on silly and littlest of things; thereby outlining the mischief, liveliness and honesty in their relationship. Khayal ki Dastak is a short play about a man and woman madly in love once. It is an intense drama built on exemplary writing, brings out the human emotions in its entirety.
**Where: Alliance Francaise, Vasanth Nagar**
**When: Sep 24, 6.30 pm**
**Free entry, Info: 9448088247**

### 02 Lucky Ali, live



Catch Lucky Ali live at the SteppinOut Indie Fest along with artists such as Dikshant, Jaden Maskie, Micah Bedford, Arham Fulfagar. The musician will promise to leave you enchanted with his tunes and from unlimited jam sessions, enriching musical banter, groovy tunes, soulful melody, gear up for an memorable evening.
**Where: Courtyard, Phoenix Marketcity**
**When: Sep 24, 6:00 pm onwards**
**Tickets: Insider**

### 03 Classic whodunit

Pravara Theatre presents 'Jupiter' - A Kannada suspense thriller play written by SV Krishna Sharma based on a story originally written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, and Directed by Hanu Ramasanjeeva. Jupiter is the Kannada adaptation of Sherlock Holmes. If detective stories are right up your alley, do not miss out on this one.
**Where: KH Kalasoudha, Hanumanthanagara**
**When: Sep 24, 7.00 PM**

# Don't delay that health check-up any more

## Unhealthy lifestyle patterns, lack of periodic check-ups and being diabetic can lead to heart attacks, say city health experts

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More and more cardiac arrests are being reported among the youth

A lack of routine check-ups, diabetes and a poor lifestyle are some of the factors behind more young people suffering heart attacks, say doctors.

"Indians are more prone to diabetes which affects the heart. The earlier we get diabetes, the faster we get heart problems. Diet, followed by people along with the genetic predisposition to cholesterol, all contribute to the rapid arteriosclerosis of the blood vessels of the heart. Apart from these, smoking, pollution, fumes, long-standing undiagnosed hypertension contributes to cardiac illness," said Dr Dwijendra Prasad, senior consultant at Prakriya Hospital.

He added that people also do not go for regular health checks, worsening the problem. He also said that Indian people are prone to diabetes and cardiac illness at least 15-20 years earlier than the white population of the West.

"The work stress that people face every day along with their lifestyles that they are leading is also a major contributing factor," said Dr Prasad.

Many said that they have not gone for health check-ups for more than a year, citing work pressure and lack of time.

Vivek Khaitan, an IT professional, said that he was diagnosed with diabetes two years ago and was prescribed medications. "While I was taking the medications, I have not been able to go for a health check-up for a year. The work pressure gets to me and at home, I have to attend to the needs of my family and my daughter. On my day offs, I just spend time indoors and rest as much as I can because after a hectic week, I do not feel like going out at all."

> **I have not been able to go for a health check-up because of work pressure and family duties; on my off days I only want to rest**
> –Vivek Khaitan, IT professional

Kiran Hegde, another IT professional, also blamed it on all the work pressure and responsibilities, which stopped her from paying attention to her health.

"Yesterday, I went for a full body check-up after two years and I found out that I had a fatty liver. The doctors told me that it was because of the kind of lifestyle I had."

Some of the people also revealed that they did not maintain a healthy diet. Govind Ashok, working as a manager, said, "I have tried to include fruits and healthy vegetables in my diet but that does not happen because I do not have time to cook as I leave early for office. There have been many times when I have missed my lunch because of attending meetings and completing my work. After coming back from office, cooking feels like a task so I end up ordering food online."

# Encroached drain floods temple

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department," said Seshadri Bhattar, priest at the Sundara Anjaneya Swamy Temple.

The priest told BM that it has become difficult for him to discharge his duty whenever rainwater enters the temple. "We have to spend more time draining the water from the temple premises. I appeal to the BBMP to fix the drain problem as early as possible for the benefit of the hundreds of devotees who visit this temple," he said.

Many devotees are upset over the waterlogging at the temple's entrance due to clogging of the drain. "We have to remove sandals before entering the temple. There will be hardly any space to leave sandals in front of the temple due to waterlogging. I want the authorities concerned either to demolish the three shops constructed on the drain or remove silt from the drain to enable smooth flow of rainwater to ensure no waterlogging occurs in front of the temple," said Ashok A, a devotee.

Water logging in front of Sundara Anjaneya Swamy Temple

Demanding the authorities concerned to demolish the structures on the drain, Purushotham S, a resident, said government departments whether it is the Muzrai or BBMP should be a role model for others.

"What to do when the Muzrai Department allows construction of three shops on the drain near the temple. The Muzrai department collects rent from those shops which is appalling. The need of the hour is to demolish the shops without any delay to avoid waterlogging near the temple," said Purushotham.

The Sundara Anjaneya Swamy Temple comes under the jurisdiction of Sashidhar J, executive officer of Someshwara Temple, Halasuru.

He said he was aware of the three shops on the drain. "As of now, all these shops are vacant. I am sending a report on these shops to my higher authorities. I will implement whatever my higher authorities ask me to do," said Shashidhar, adding that those shops were constructed before he assumed office as the executive officer.

Meanwhile, BBMP chief engineer (stormwater drains) Lokesh said he is also aware of the existence of the shops on the drain. "I will take suitable action after consulting with the authorities concerned," said Lokesh.

# 'Animals at CAF are in a pathetic condition'

## ... writes Maneka Gandhi in her letter to IISC alleging lab animals are in poor health; many dying every day

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Lok Sabha MP Maneka Gandhi has written to the director of the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) about irregularities in the Central Animal Facility (CAF) housed at IISc. The letter alleges that while CAF used to be a world-class laboratory earlier, the situation has been worrisome since the change in its leadership twenty months ago.

In the letter, Gandhi alleged that the laboratory animals at CAF are in such bad health that all the institutions and IISc departments have stopped taking them for research.

"Their feeding is delayed and often not done. The water is not changed in the enclosure and cleaning is done rarely. As a result, the animals are malnourished with loose motions, skin disease etc," read the letter.

**"Their feeding is delayed; the water is not changed and cleaning is rarely done**

–Gandhi's letter to IISc

Allegedly, earlier the CAF animal diet consisted of international animal feed which has now been replaced with cheap local feed.

While there have been several complaints by the staff members in the past, no action has been taken by the administration.

The letter also claims that the permanent senior veterinarian of CAF has been moved out and the facility is devoid of any permanent veterinarian.

"It is illegal for an animal laboratory to not have a permanent veterinarian. CAF is taking temporary vets on short contracts who are fresh out of college and do not have experience in handling animals.

"This matter was highlighted by a Committee for Control And Supervision of Experiments on Animals nominee in the past, but the reason given by the institute is the shortage of funds. Junior untrained staff at CAF are drawing blood from these animals. The result is that the 300 animals at CAF are in bad condition and are either dying or are being killed every day," read the letter.

An IISc official told Bangalore Mirror, "We are surprised at receiving the letter."

### IISc's response

A formal statement issued by the institute in response has refuted all the claims.

According to the institute, all experimental protocols at the CAF that involve the use of animals are reviewed by the Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) as per CPCSEA rules laid down by the government.

"This committee has external members and IISc faculty on it. The total average number of animals that are culled per day at CAF is in the range of 42 to 50. The scientific reasons for culling range from age-related issues to having undergone a specific set of lab experiments. These are followed across the world in similar facilities," said the official statement.

As per the statement, all animals at CAF are provided with feed that meets international standards.

"Some faculty members who are researching a specific set of animals do provide different feed that is suited to their scientific purpose, but all products are of the highest quality. The health of the animals and their environment is regularly monitored," clarified the statement.

The CAF houses about 8,000-9,000 animals as of now. Of these, there are more than 7,000 mice of various strains, nearly 1,200 rats and 50 to 60 rabbits.

"The cages are kept clean all the time. In the past 18 months, there has been no en masse culling of animals, as alleged, at CAF due to infections or other such causes. The current team has one facility manager with nine years of experience as a veterinarian, four full-time veterinarians and four part-time veterinarians. All this is in keeping with the CPCSEA guidelines," read the statement.

# Celebrate Navratri with Bangalore Mirror Navarang

Bangalore Mirror NAVARANG 2022

The festive season is back with a bang this time after two years of Covid restrictions and Bengalureans are eager to celebrate Navratri like never before. Navratri is one of the awaited festivals as it is the time to display Navarang, or literally, nine colours. Each of these nine days are dedicated to a particular colour where women dress in that particular colour and celebrate the significance of that day's festival.

For many Bengalureans, the colours unite the neighbourhood, families and friends as women get dressed up in the specific colour of the day. Now, here is a golden chance for you to send in your photos to **BM WhatsApp number 9591233247** and the best photos will be displayed by BM the next day.

So, folks, it is time for you to get dressed up, pose for a photo with the day- specific colour and WhatsApp the pictures to BM. It is time to welcome Navratri with BM-Navarang.

**—Prakash VL**

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# Nelamangala Road is turning out to be destination for realty

There is a buzz in real estate activities on Nelamangala Road of late. Due to most of the future infrastructure projects being linked to this area, demand is increasing on this road. The property prices are also rising here gradually. So, realty experts say there will be profit in the future for those who invest here. The real estate potential is increasing from Nelamangala to Tumakuru and beyond. Currently, Tumakuru is developing as a Smart City and Vasanthanarasapura is developing as an industrial city. This will create more employment opportunities and result in an increase in residential and rental buildings. Vasanthanarasapur is developing at a fast pace which includes a huge industrial hub. Recently, Minister Murugesh Nirani has said that an international airport will be built near Tumakuru. There is already a sanctioned suburban train, all these making investments in Nelamangala road an attractive investment.

In Nelamangala, two, three and four BHK houses are available at affordable rates. These premium projects are providing lift, CCTV, security, car parking, 24 hrs power supply, water, waste management, fire warning systems,24 hrs security, multi-purpose halls, and other facilities. Apart from this, Nelamangala road is in a strategic location. Many important places like Yeshwanthpur Railway Station, Kempegowda international airport, IKEA, Nagasandra and Dasarahalli Metro stations are quite close by.

The centre of the city is increasing the vehicle traffic, and the increasing number of buildings made the property prices skyrocket. Due to this, those who want to build their own house or invest in plots are looking in the outskirts of the city. For them, Nelamangala road is very convenient. Compared to other places, here plots are available at affordable prices. Also, there is a possibility of sites according to requirements and budget. The construction of an elevated expressway is another reason for the rising demand for Tumakuru road. This is very near to residential places and the international airport. The huge connectivity network gave more strength to this. The non-stop vehicle movement up to Nelamangala and Metro connectivity to Nagasandra made re-written the progress of the real estate in Tumakuru road.

Not only Peenya and Yeshwanthpur, Nelamangala road is also developed significantly as an industrial hub. Now it is considered an industrial corridor. There are thousands of people employed in these industries and the real estate developers are helping them to own their dream houses. Once there were only industries in Tumakuru Road, now multinational corporations started their operations on this road. This makes Tumakuru Road an attractive destination for property buyers.

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# Are you eligible for a moratorium on loan?

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The word 'moratorium' literally means 'temporary stopping of an activity, especially by official agreement'. In housing loan terminology, the moratorium period refers to the period where the borrower gets a break from making the Equated Monthly Instalment (EMI) payments on the home loan borrowed. The moratorium period signifies the short term relief a borrower can get from their lending institution to organise their finances to resume the home loan repayment comfortably.

Let's look at what a moratorium can mean to a home loan borrower and who is eligible for one.

### WHAT IT MEANS

As a home loan borrower, your EMI payment begins from the very month your loan is disbursed till the end of your repayment tenure. If you feel that you are not ready with your loan repayment plan, are low on finances and need to rejig your financial resources, then you can opt for a moratorium period as soon as you secure the home loan. The moratorium period could be for three months, six months or a maximum period of two years.

Choosing a home loan moratorium period at the time when your approved home loan starts its tenure will give you sufficient time to plan all your finances, especially your expenses that include your present house rent if you are living in a rental accommodation. This period can give you the right break to complete your other property related payments such as registration, stamp duty, etc.

### HOW IT HELPS

The home-buying experience in India can sometimes be fraught with unforeseen circumstances that can in turn impact your purchase. Delay in the construction of your home and its delivery for your occupation is a major hindrance that can impact your homebuying journey. Particularly, when you are staying in a rental accommodation and servicing your home loan at the same time.

So, what's the role of a moratorium on your home loan?

Most lending organisations including banks offer home loan borrowers a moratorium to relieve them of this double financial burden by giving them some time to plan their finances in order to meet their expenses as well as to prepare for EMI payments. One advantage of opting for a moratorium is that it does not affect your credit score.

### IMPACT ON EMIS

While a moratorium offers temporary relief from EMI payments, you are still required to pay the interest amount on your housing loan, either during the moratorium period or after the expiry of its term. When you pay the interest that is charged during the moratorium period itself, your EMI remains the same while only your tenure increases. But when you pay the interest after the expiry of the moratorium period, it is added to your loan amount and adjusted through higher EMIs during the repayment period.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

When should you opt for a moratorium and how do you qualify for one? Both these factors depend on the genuine nature of the crisis that's causing a strain on your financial resources and hindering your monthly EMI payments. Your eligibility factor will depend on the lending institution, who will decide based on the gravity of your financial situation.

**– Times Property**

# No electrical mishaps

Here are some tips to avoid electrical mishaps at your home:

Install RCCB or ELCB to prevent harm due to current leakage: Governments across states/DISCOMS have taken various initiatives to make RCCB/ELCB compulsory. Still, the challenge of installing RCCB continues. RCCB or ELCB is the most overlooked device in homes; nearly 90 per cent of homes do not have one. ELCB/RCCB plug tops or adaptors giving socket level current leakage protection can be installed with washing machines, air coolers, water heaters (geysers).

Manage electrical fire risk with quality wires: Nearly 20% of all accidental fires that take place are not only due to short circuits but also poor wiring. Ensuring compatibility of wires with the electrical load is essential in homes since these are the 'veins and arteries' of our homes and should be of good quality and the right rating.

Prevent short circuit and current overload with the installation of a miniature circuit breaker (MCB): Current overloading is common in today's modern-day homes. Installation of MCB ensures disconnecting the supply during the fault.

**—Saurabh Goel, president of Havells India, for Times Property**

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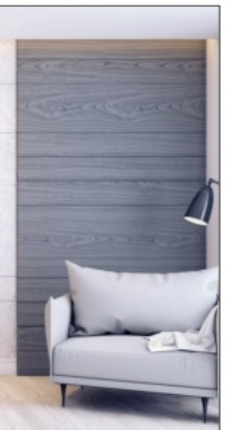

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# There's hope for Horamavu Lake

## BBMP will be carrying out development work on this water body for Rs 4.8 crore

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After being in a dilapidated condition for years, the Horamavu Lake can finally see some hope. The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has come forward with a plan to develop the water body at a cost of Rs 4.8 crore.

A circular signed by the BBMP Executive Engineering team says that they have written to an infratech company to proceed with the execution of the work. The contract has been given to a private company in Kodigehalli Gate and the Lake Department has asked for the work to be completed within a stipulated period of 11 months.

The core work which will be taken up for development include de-watering and de-slushing of the lake at Rs 1.41 crore. Further improvement of the main bund and formation of the walkway bund will take place. Additionally, construction of rectangular drain inlets and box culverts will take place. There will also be construction of a surplus weir, footbridge, silt trap, and a diversion lane.

Residents of the area have pointed out that the lake has been in very bad shape with untreated sewage being let into it, and garbage and construction debris are being dumped around it. It is also becoming prey to encroachments.

One of the residents, Nageshwar, said, "Many vehicles enter the lake premises. The gates are not locked and there is no security or fencing. People have been coming and dumping garbage inside. Even illegal activities are taking place at the lake. There is a stench emanating from the entire area."

There is no security in the area and it is also not fenced, which leads to unchecked dumping of garbage by people

> **"The gates are not locked. People have been coming and dumping garbage inside. Even illegal activities are taking place here**
>
> –Nageshwar, resident

He added that the lake used to be a beautiful place with a large number of residents frequenting it on a daily basis, but its condition is going from bad to worse now.

Locals recently met the Lake Department to raise their issues. The department's officials said that the lake's development has been sanctioned and it will be rejuvenated soon.

Another resident said, "Once the development is done, it will be important to monitor the water body on a regular basis. If there is any inflow of sewage, it must be stopped. Furthermore, it is important for the authorities to maintain the area by carrying out regular clean-up drives and workshops on the importance of waste segregation and management."

# Are you polite with police?

Traffic police in cities like Bengaluru can be highly stressed

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"As many as 76% of the officials that participated in our study marked a high score for 'negative comments from public' as a stressor. We are often struck by distress when stopped by the traffic police and failing to notice the vigilance causes the same amount of distress among the traffic officials too. Being treated badly by the public affects the normal well-being of the police officers, which in turn affects their social and family life. A feud between the public which could require the attention of the police officer can cause extension of the work hours too, thereby giving way to the other stressors too," said Dr Haleemath Thabsheera, co-author of the study.

Experts said while the stress that the traffic police officials face daily in metropolitan cities like Bengaluru can be high due to an increase in population leading to unmanageable traffic, occupational stress is a commonly neglected topic amongst traffic police officers, especially in India.

"There is a need for the government to employ more traffic police officers. Stressors such as overtime demands can be reduced by expanding the workforce. The department needs to set a maximum limit for the number of hours a traffic police officer is allowed to work in a day, thereby reducing their mental stress and giving them enough time to rejuvenate before they return for duty the next day," added Dr Thabsheera.

Traffic officials should be trained in human psychology and in handling the citizens since they encounter them on a day-to-day basis. Proper training can help them deal with 'negative' comments and also improve their mental health.

"Heavy traffic causes a lot of distress to officers on duty. Identifying the stress among these officers and helping them manage it, will help us improve the traffic in the city," said Dr Thabsheera.

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### Fix the mess
**Brunton Road**

Construction material and cables need to be removed from the pavement in Brunton Road. Cars are parking despite a 'no parking' sign here.

### Misuse of power
**Brigade Road**

The DG and IGP have said that police should not stop vehicles for checks if there is no violation, but it is still going on in Brigade road.

### Not the place!
**Jayanagar**

Hotel tables are on the pavement and a generator is on the road on 30th Cross, 4th Block next to Jayanagar Police Station.

# NGT orders: Form panel, check solid waste plant

## Tribunal says difficult to accept there is no leakage as claimed by BBMP

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BBMP had issued clarification on its Chikkanagamangala plant

The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has ordered the constitution of a joint committee to look into the matter of pollution caused by the Solid Waste Management (SWM) plant located near Chikkanagamangala.

NGT took up the issue following BM's special report on residents of Chikkanagamangala, Doddanagamangala, and other villages in the vicinity of the Municipal Solid Waste plant staging a protest. While they have even been demanding for the plant to be shut down, the tribunal issued a notice to the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and sought clarification on the issue.

The Palike had replied that the plant established in November 2015 has closed sheds to prevent leakage or underground percolation. The officials said that the leakage reported was accidental and took place due to rain overflow outside the plant. "BBMP has taken steps to control odour and for fly management. A meeting was held with the villagers and their grievances were redressed. Work order has been allotted for construction of leachate plant inside the plant premises which is likely to be completed in six months," clarified a BBMP official.

However, the NGT noted that it is difficult to accept that there is no leakage from the sewage plant. The fact that a work order has now been issued for the construction of the leachate plant itself shows that currently leachate is not properly treated. "There are contradictions in the explanation about the handling of leachate. It is stated that 300 TPD wet waste is being received for processing in the plant, wherein about 80% is leachate. Consent for the plant mentions only 20 KLD capacity subject to the condition that no more waste is to be generated and the same is to be collected on the premises and disposed of through STP of Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB)," said the NGT.

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On August 18, BM had reported about the protest by villagers in the areas near the waste processing plant

It is explained that though earlier leachate was being disposed of through BWSSB, the report added that now there is a private arrangement that is against consent terms.

### Joint panel

As per the NGT order, the joint committee will consist of the regional director of the Central Pollution Control Board, the regional officer of MoEF&CC and the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB).

The KSPCB will be the nodal agency for compliance and the committee will look into the matter and take remedial action following the law. The committee may meet within one month, take stock of the factual situation and prepare an action plan to remedy the situation for which BBMP will bear the cost.

An action taken report has to be filed by the committee within two months with the registrar general of NGT, mentioning the extent of violations found and steps taken for remedying the same.

Pranay Dubey, Member of Electronic City rising said, "NGT Order has given a ray of hope for the residents who are badly impacted by the heavy pollution from this plant, NGT has rightly mentioned in the order that current state of affairs is unsatisfactory and leachate is being released and environmental norms are flouted by BBMP. We are hopeful that the joint committee will file a factual report and provide relief to ppl of E-City from heavy soil, water and air pollution.".

# Revised CET ranking on Sept 29

The revised CET ranking will be announced on September 29, said Higher Education Minister Dr CN Ashwath Narayan. Following a High Court verdict, he said the first round of counselling will begin from October 3. This year, the CET counselling process has been a delayed starter due to repeaters taking exception to CET rank list. Earlier in the day, the High Court had asked the Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA) to follow the formula suggested by a technical committee on revising the rank list. This formula will be applied to students who passed PU Second Year in 2020-21. As per the new formula, "The qualifying marks of 2021 PU batch students shall be deducted by an average of 6 marks in Physics, 5 marks in Chemistry and 7 marks in Mathematics, that results in a total deduction of 6 marks for 100 qualifying marks."

A technical committee constituted by the State government has suggested an average deduction of six marks in each subject from PU-II marks of covid-19 year (2020-21) students so that their CET rankings this year will be 'normalised' with 2021-22 batch PU-II students. The committee came up with two sets of solutions based on complex calculations. But in the end, it suggested deducting an average of 6 marks from 2020-21 students. It also suggested increasing "seats in IT related branches in colleges as per previous years preferred selection of seats may be increased by about 10%".

**HC had asked KEA to follow the formula suggested by technical committee**

The KEA had submitted the proposal in a sealed envelope to a division bench headed by the Acting Chief Justice Alok Aradhe on Thursday. On Friday, the High Court directed the authorities to go ahead with the CET ranking based on this formula. —BMB

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# Will to power

*"This world is the will to power — and nothing besides! And even you yourselves are this will to power — and nothing besides!"*

Manifestation of the aftermath of the aforesaid phrase, 'the will to power', as dispassionately put by the outspoken and oft-misinterpreted German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche, has not been as candid, and on display, as it is at the moment.

A century has passed after Nietzsche whose curated writings were published posthumously by his sister in the book 'The Will to Power'. Populations have risen thereafter and the sociopolitical milieu has vastly transformed.

In times of imploding social media discourse that benefit therapists worldwide, the latent urge of 'the will to power' today is amplified manifold. The repercussions are far reaching than one could have ever imagined; even compared to the recent past as many of us had experienced in the 80s or 90s, before the advent of big tech and the subsequent social media masquerade.

The question is, after realising the will to power through dubious means nevertheless, are power centres self regulating, exercising responsible behaviour, or plainly put, could be trusted with unbridled brute force in earnest? No, they cannot be.

Power centres that are demanding you toe the line, are pushing their luck, you see, as to how far they can stretch it until they are held accountable, brought to book and shown their place — most would ideally land behind bars for atrocities perpetrated on the weak, marginalised and vulnerable. But, no. They aren't finished, yet.

One can see the desperation of this will to power in the British monarchy scrambling to reinvent and survive in the shadows of a make-do Tory cabinet in the United Kingdom after the queen's demise, absolutely blind to the zeitgeist. The approval rating of the Labour Party jumped to 40% as ruling Conservatives trailed of late.

We see this will to power thirsting, in the warmongering of United States led by an increasingly unsure and forgetful president Joe Biden (often caught in senior moments in recent public appearances) never shying away from shooting from the shoulders of a devastated Ukraine at Putin's Russia single handedly taking on western might. This will to power is male fide; that which displaces unsuspecting folk in far flung geography.

In India, we see it in the needling of schoolchildren from a minority community for their right to clothing by those who exercise this will to power. We hear and see this will to power in its most naked, vicious and ugly manifestation in our broadcast news networks as the apex court warned television proprietors to rein in hate-mongering motormouths. The Supreme Court wondered why those in power remain mute spectators. Perhaps the honourable Supreme Court shall examine who are the vested interests that are propping up and financing these prime time media puppets.

These so-called press outlets have no interest whatsoever in informing the electorate about the goings-on in this nation let alone the decisive role of the opposition parties in a democracy which many of these dummies were so eager to champion in the run up 2014 Lok Sabha.

If humanity as a collective fails to rein in the excesses of this will to power, it is essentially turning a blind eye to its own rather quick downfall. One of the many collateral damages that are now unfolding as this brute force tramples upon everything on its path is the future of children especially in our own country on the cusp of becoming the world's most populous nation.

How would the demographic dividend translate into economic welfare as neighbouring China was able to pull off by revolutionising its manufacturing sector, if child welfare isn't a priority? Just days ago, BM reported about school children having to be ferried from a government school building on the verge of collapse in Bengaluru.

Likewise, the environment is the most critical common and human right in the time of climate emergency. Unprecedented exploitation of the world's largest rainforest along the Amazon river is underway as this vile will to power tightens grip while putting the branch the entire world is resting on at stake. What a paradox that the Amazon has not witnessed the scale of depletion it is undergoing now at any point in time courtesy Brazilian president Jair Bolsonaro.

Biden's forgetfulness in old age fatigue, UK premier Liz Truss' one-upmanship or our prime minister's penchant for photo pageantry — in all the aforementioned, are our chosen leaders exercising their will to power judiciously?

As Rahul Gandhi-led Bharat Jodo Yatra of the Congress approaches Karnataka with a message against festering hatred, communal enmity has now surfaced abroad as well, in UK's Leicester where Hindus and Muslims clashed and the police were left in a quandary.

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## STORYBEHINDTHEPHOTO

**GREEN REVOLUTION!**

This picturesque scene is from Lalbagh, the city's lungs. It was a moment of calmness and greenery

The picture was clicked by BM reader **Ramadas Acharya**

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## DID YOU KNOW?

A popular spot for those interested in astronomy, the Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium (JNP), Bengaluru, was established in 1989 by the Bangalore City Corporation, now known as the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP). The administration of the planetarium was entrusted to Bangalore Association for Science Education (BASE) which was formed in 1992. JNP has emerged as a premier institution devoted to science and non-formal science education in India. It attracts over 3 lakh visitors annually, majority of whom are students. JNP organises several interesting programmes aimed at school students and general public. These are: monthly star-gazing, science club activities, science movies, sky-theatre shows every day, viewing of astronomical events etc. Because of these multifarious activities organised every year, it has emerged as a premier planetarium at the national level. (inputs from taralaya.org)

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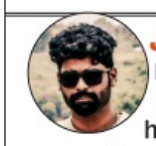
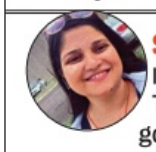
**Do you believe in the concept of digital detox? Tell us about your experiences with it**

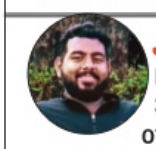


**Jigesh RG**
**BM Reader**
I feel that digital detox is really helpful. It did help me grow out of the dire need of validation from everyone.



**Shalini G**
**BM Reader**
The idea of digital detox is really good. It helps people feel happy about their own lives and we finally stop comparing our lives with that of other people

**Paavas Nayak**
**BM Reader**
When I was young I could not imagine staying away from social media. But the more I am growing up the more I feel that staying away from it is the best decision.



**John Matthew**
**BM Reader**
Social media is all about showing off how perfect your life is when it is really not. This is not good and so I decided to stay away from that.

**Atul P Chacko**
**BM Reader**
I decided to stay away from social media for a month and I have realised that it has really helped me. It's peaceful and it makes me feel happy about my life.

**Nijesh RG**
**BM Reader**
I don't think digital detox will help much. I think a little bit of social media is needed to lighten up the mood. The funny reels always help.

**SPEAK TO US**

What are your shopping plans for the festive season now that restrictions are gone?
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# In hope for job, she lost Rs 1.24 lakh

## Woman falls prey to online fraudsters posing as representatives of popular recruitment website

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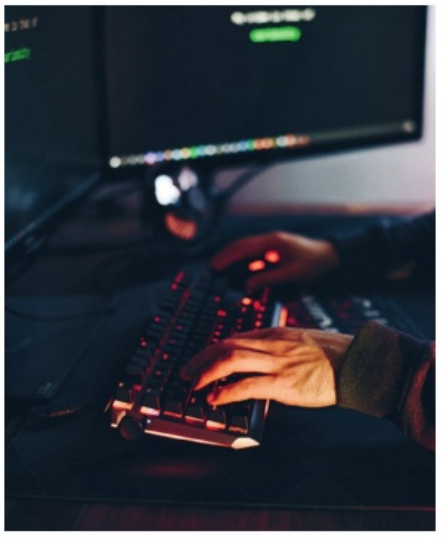
A Whitefield resident recently fell prey to a cyber-crime where she lost Rs 1,24,121 to fraudsters posing as representatives of a popular recruitment website.

On September 15, the victim, Gargi (name changed), received calls from the representatives who wanted her to register for the 'pro' service at a cost of Rs 49.

"They said that they were starting a special service where people having more than 10 years of experience can get plenty of opportunities. When those people called, I believed them because before that, I was using the website, and I thought that they must have gotten my information from there."

The callers directed her to a website that looked very similar to the actual one. While she was on the page, the callers asked her to proceed with the payment.



**The website was very similar to the original one and the victim was misled**

She initially tried to complete the payment with her debit card and Rs 49 was debited. However, the callers told her that there seemed to be a problem because of which the transaction was not completed.

"They asked me to try again with another card and said that if the amounts get credited more than once, they will refund it. I did not have any other debit card and I did not want to go ahead with net banking, so I thought of using credit card because even if it was a scam, I could easily block the card," she said.

She completed the payment and the representatives told her that they would send her a confirmation mail and be in touch with her. However, immediately after getting off the call, she started getting OTPs being generated for a transaction of Rs 49,805, another one for Rs 49,805 and another one for Rs 24,510.

"I froze when I received those messages. I tried calling my bank. While I was at it, I got a call from the credit card department asking if I was the one doing the transactions. By the time I blocked my card, the transactions were already completed," said Gargi.

Gargi called up the bank who suggested her to file an FIR. However, for filing an FIR she needed to get the bank statements. The bank refused to give her the statements because they were unbilled.

The bank then called up the Whitefield cyber-crime cell and currently, the case is with CID.

**HEALTH TIP:** According to studies of the world's longest-living populations, sitting on the floor can help us stay healthier for longer

A glass of wine in the evening might help you fall asleep, but can impact the quality of your slumber, leaving you sluggish the following day

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# FLIGHT MODE ON PLEASE!

## Contemporary digital technology has advanced, but here's why you should use airplane mode mid-flight

We all know the routine by heart: "Please ensure your seats are in the upright position, tray tables stowed, window shades are up, laptops are stored in the overhead bins, and electronic devices are set to flight mode".

Now, the first four are reasonable, right? Window shades need to be up so we can see if there's an emergency, such as fire. Tray tables need to be stowed and seats upright so we can get out of the row quickly. Laptops can become projectiles in an emergency, as the seat back pockets are not strong enough to contain them. And mobile phones need to be set to flight mode so they can't cause an emergency for the airplane, right? Well, it depends whom you ask.

### Advanced technology

Aviation navigation and communication relies on radio services, which have been coordinated to minimise interference since the 1920s. The digital technology currently in use is much more advanced than some of the older analogue technologies we used even 60 years ago. Research has shown personal electronic devices can emit a signal within the same frequency band as the aircraft's communications and navigation systems, creating what is known as electromagnetic interference. But in 1992, the US Federal Aviation Authority and Boeing, in an independent study, investigated the use of electronic devices on aircraft interference and found no issues with computers or other personal electronic devices during non-critical phases of flight. (Take-offs and landings are considered the critical phases.) The US Federal Communications Commission also began to create reserved frequency bandwidths for different uses – such as mobile phones and aircraft navigation and communications – so they do not interfere with one another.

Governments around the globe developed the same strategies and policies to prevent interference problems with aviation. In the EU, electronic devices have been allowed to stay on since 2014.

### 2.2 billion passengers

Why then, with these global standards in place, has the aviation industry continued to ban the use of mobile phones? One of the problems lies with something you may not expect – ground interference.Wireless networks are connected by a series of towers; the networks could become overloaded if passengers flying over these ground networks are all using their phones.

The number of passengers that flew in 2021 was over 2.2 billion, and that's half of what the 2019 passenger numbers were. The wireless companies might have a point here. Of course, when it comes to mobile networks, the biggest change in recent years is the move to a new standard. Current 5G wireless networks – desirable for their higher speed data transfer – have caused concern for many within the aviation industry. Radio frequency bandwidth is limited, yet we are still trying to add more new devices to it.

> **Most airlines now provide customers with Wi-Fi services that are either pay-as-you-go or free of cost**

The aviation industry points out that the 5G wireless network bandwidth spectrum is remarkably close to the reserved aviation bandwidth spectrum, which may cause interference with navigation systems near airports that assist with landing the aircraft. Airport operators in Australia and the US have voiced aviation safety concerns linked to 5G rollout, however it appears to have rolled out without such problems in the European Union. Either way, it is prudent to limit mobile phone use on planes while issues around 5G are sorted out.

### Air rage

Most airlines now provide customers with Wi-Fi services that are either pay-as-you-go or free. With new Wi-Fi technologies, passengers could theoretically use their mobile phones to make video calls with friends or clients in-flight.

On a recent flight, I spoke with a cabin attendant and asked her opinion on phone use during flights. It would be an inconvenience for the cabin crew to wait for passengers to finish their call to ask them if they would like any drinks or something to eat, she stated. On an airliner with 200+ passengers, in-flight service would take longer to complete if everyone was making phone calls. For me, the problem with in-flight use of phones is more about the social experience of having 200+ people on a plane, and all potentially talking at once.

In a time when disruptive passenger behaviour, including "air rage", is increasingly frequent, phone use in flight might be another trigger that changes the whole flight experience. Disruptive behaviours take on various forms, from noncompliance to safety requirements such as not wearing seat belts, verbal altercations with fellow passengers and cabin crew, to physical altercations with passengers and cabin crews – typically identified as air rage.

In conclusion – in-flight use of phones does not currently impair the aircraft's ability to operate. But cabin crews may prefer not to be delayed in providing in-flight service to all of the passengers – it's a lot of people to serve. However, 5G technology is encroaching on the radio bandwidth of aircraft navigation systems; we'll need more research to answer the 5G question regarding interference with aircraft navigation during landings. Remember that when we are discussing the two most critical phases of flight, take-offs are optional – but landings are mandatory.

*By Doug Drury, Professor/Head of Aviation, CQUniversity Australia (The Conversation)*

## All problems solved

*Dear Coleen*

**I'm struggling to know how to help my husband, whose elderly auntie died recently. He's completely grief-stricken as he was very close to her.**
**He lived with her from the age of eight, so he could go to a good school near her home, and he didn't move out until he went to university at 18.**
**Although he was, and still is, close to his parents, he had a really special relationship with his auntie. He's taken her death much harder than I imagined he would and, to be honest, I've been shocked by his reaction. He's taken time off work and wants to be alone a lot, and I've even heard him crying upstairs and in the garden. I've never seen him like this, but he doesn't seem to want any support from me.**
**We have two young kids and it's starting to get to me that my husband is absent from our lives at the moment. I'm doing everything, while he's completely disengaged from all of us. Nights out are off the agenda and anything light-hearted is frowned on.**
**It's been three weeks now and I'm wondering if he could be depressed or if it's normal he should be so devastated.**

### COLEEN SAYS

Of course it's normal and I would expect his grief to still be raw only three weeks after his auntie's death. It sounds like she was the most important person in his life and a mother figure during his childhood and adolescence. I understand your frustration if you have two young kids but you have to be patient and let him know you're there for him if he wants to talk or cry – he doesn't have to hide away. Ask him what you can do to help rather than trying to guess and getting frustrated. When you've been bereaved, you can find real comfort in doing normal things and having a routine.

**–Coleen Nolan, Daily Mirror**

**# Ira Khan is engaged!**
Aamir Khan's daughter and theatre director Ira Khan has announced her engagement to celebrity fitness trainer Nupur Shikhare

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# Pretty as pink

Khushi Kapoor is yet to make her foray into showbiz but the star daughter has already garnered quite a fan following on social media.

She recently treated her fans on Instagram with her gorgeous pictures in a traditional outfit and it is sure to brighten up your day.

Dressed in a pink ethnic outfit, Khushi looked stunning as ever. She completed her overall look with traditional earrings. She captioned it, 'Today', followed by a white heart emoji.

As soon as she shared the photos, likes and comments poured in.

Her elder sister Janhvi Kapoor took to the comment section and wrote, 'Pink muffin'.

Showering praise on his lovely daughter, father Boney Kapoor also wrote, 'My trillion $ baby , my preety baby you look very elegant in this salwar kameez & the Posture is very very good (sic).' Her followers too called her 'angel' and dropped heart emojis on the post.

Khushi is also all set to make her career in acting. She will be making her debut with Zoya Akhtar's 'The Archies'. It will also mark the debuts of Shah Rukh Khan's daughter Suhana Khan. — ETimes

# Performance-based appraisal

Sanjay Kapoor's daughter Shanaya Kapoor is all set to make her Bollywood debut with Shashank Khaitan's 'Bedhadak'. The star kid will start shooting for her debut project next year. Recently, in an interview, Shanaya said that she is very 'excited' and 'nervous'.

Shanaya also said that she's a step closer to living her childhood dream. Calling it a 'special film', the star kid also said that she and her co-stars have prepped a lot for the film. While speaking to Zoom TV, Shanaya said, "I'm both nervous and excited. Nervous because it's important that I do the best job and because it isn't just a first film, it's the first step towards hopefully a long and varied career. And excited because I'm finally a step closer towards realising a dream I've had since childhood. It's a mix of all kinds of emotions. It's very close to my heart! I'm grateful to have gotten a film like this."

Shanaya also said that she wants her performance to make the audience feel that she earned this opportunity. She added, "I want my performance in this film to make people feel that I earned this opportunity- that I didn't waste it or that I didn't take it for granted. I've worked very hard and I will continue to - it's not even something I want to keep repeating because that is the job - you're meant to work hard, and I have. I hope people recognise that when they see my work." ETimes

# FINE WINE

## Timeless beauty Tabu reveals beauty secret

Not just a fine actor, Tabu is also a timeless veteran beauty. The actress who's been in showbiz for around three decades now has always been known for her charm, grace, wit and sensibility. It's also an undeniable fact that the actress is aging like fine wine.

When asked what she's doing to maintain this beauty, she laughed and told Film Companion, that there's no particular routine that she follows. She says, since she's aware of her image, she works to preserve it. She added that her make-up artist also asks if she's using some home nuska because of her glowing skin, the actress then shared, that some days, I'll tell her that she puts coffee here, and some plant there, and she'll say, 'You can't do that, you have to use this cream'.

Tabu revealed that she had once purchased a 50,000 bucks' cream as her make-up artist had asked her to. She said that she'll never buy it again though. "I bought it once, but never again."

Tabu was asked if happiness is the reason behind her looks, to which she replied that some of it is probably down to genes, and added, that there's nothing she consciously does to her face but since she's aware that she looks a certain way, she will purposely not ruin anything that takes away that. She concluded, "Everyone wants to look good and maintain a certain level of being presentable, and fit, and healthy, and mentally there. I try my best." ETimes

# Nude scenes will go viral? Ana finds that disgusting

Hollywood star Ana de Armas finds it "disgusting" that her nude scenes from the highly anticipated Netflix film "Blonde" will most likely go viral on the internet.

According to Fox News, the fictional biopic "Blonde," which is based on the biography of Marilyn Monroe, marks its streaming service debut on September 28.

De Armas spoke openly about her anticipated response to the nude scenes when she spoke to Variety. The actress was the first to comment on the scenes and she stated, "I know what's going to go viral. And it's disgusting. It's upsetting just to think about it. I can't control it, you can't really control what they do and how they take things out of context. I don't think it gave me second thoughts, it just gave me a bad taste to think about the future of those clips." The actor continued, saying that even though the movie was outside of her comfort zone, she nevertheless agreed to do it for the movie's director Andrew Dominik and the legendary Monroe."I did things in this movie I would have never done for anyone else, ever," said she.

# Sporty and fun

**GURU SHISHYARU**

**3.5** RATING ★★★½☆

- **DIRECTOR** Jadesh Kumar Hampi
- **ACTORS** Sharan, Nishvika Naidu, Suresh Heblikar, Apoorva Kasaravalli, HG Dattatreya
- **CERTIFICATION** U
- **Duration** 163 minutes

Guru Shishyaru is a sports drama that highlights the plight of the Indian traditional sport Kho-Kho.

The movie begins with Manohar (Sharan), a Kho-Kho player, who is finding it difficult to get a job for his livelihood. Manohar's mentor (Dattatreya) finds a job as a PT teacher at Bettadapura School for him. Manohar reluctantly agrees to go to Bettadapura. After joining the school as PT teacher, he comes to know that Rudrappa (Apoorva Kasaravalli) of Arasipura has a dispute with Bettadapura villagers.

Rudrappa claims Bettadapura belongs to his ancestors and files a case in the court seeking a direction to vacate the village. He agrees to allow the villages to live in Bettadapura provided their Kho-Kho team wins. Manohar takes it up as a challenge. Meanwhile, Rudrappa reveals how Manohar and his team (boys from Bettadapura) had cheated the villagers. What happens to Manohar is what the story is all about. Director Jadesh Kumar Hampi deserves appreciation for selecting an opt subject that has a potential not only to entertain movie buffs but also highlight the plight of the traditional sport. The appeals by various Kho-Kho players and coaches on the need to encourage and support Kho-Kho are moving. The movie conveys the much needed message to society, especially for youth, that nothing is impossible if one has dedication, commitment and focus.

The first half of the movie is highly entertaining. Most of the scenes, especially a scene where a lady teacher teaching English, makes the audiences have a hearty laugh. The narration gains momentum after the pre-intermission. Some of the dialogues – Do or die, having no opportunities is not a defeat but not utilising an available opportunity is a defeat – are meaningful.

As far as performance of the actors is concerned, Sharan has acted well. He is impressive and convincing as a lazy and reluctant disciple of a teacher (Dattatreya) and also as a responsible and concerned PT teacher. His dialogue delivery and body language deserve a pat on the back.

Nishvika Naidu, as a milk maid, who falls in love with Sharan in the movie at the drop of a hat, has acted well. Dattatreya has provided good support. Apoorva Kasaravalli, as a villain, is convincing. He will be a right choice for playing villain if he makes a little effort to improve his body language and dialogue delivery. Mahantesh Hiremath, who played as the peon of the school, has a bright future. His dialogue delivery is superb. Music by B Ajneesh Lokanath is good and songs are meaningful and inspirational.

It is worth a watch for family audiences, especially students who want to achieve something in society.

**—Y Maheswara Reddy**

# Madhuri: Back in 90s, writers used to pen scripts on sets

Actress Madhuri Dixit Nene, who is gearing up for her streaming movie 'Maja Ma', recently spoke about the changes that she has witnessed in the recent years about how the Hindi film industry which is otherwise known as Bollywood has changed over the course of time.

While speaking to IANS, the actress, who plays a Gujarati homemaker in the film, said, "Earlier the Hindi film industry was very disorganised and disjointed except for a few productions like Yash Raj Films, Subhash Ghai's production or Rajshri Production, which were very organised in their approach. But now with the corporate culture having come up in the films, things are far more streamlined today."

She then mentioned how the industry has started taking writing - the bedrock of any film, quite seriously, "We have table reading sessions with our fellow cast members now, something which was unheard of back then in the 1990s. We used to get dialogues on the go, just before a shot was supposed to be delivered."

Adding a humorous hue to her statement, she further mentioned, "We used to wait for the writer to finish his dialogues, who would say from some corner of the set, Just 2 minutes and your dialogues would be ready, ma'am'".

Things have changed for the good, the actress said and this in a way helps the India cinema to compete at the global stage where productions are flawless and of six - sigma quality, "Today, we are given a bound script about, which breaks down things to the last detail like what are we going to wear in a particular scene or what should be the pitching of the character."

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# Sam in USA for 'Citadel'

Actor Samantha Ruth Prabu is in the US for her project 'Citadel'.

A source close to the actor informed, "Samantha has been working on getting into her character for Citadel in the US. She is following a very strict fitness and lifestyle regime there to get into the physicality of her character of the series. Over there, she is training with renowned experts working in the entertainment space for action." 'Citadel' is a spin-off to the sci-fi series Citadel. The Indian spin-off is being helmed by Raj and DK. Citadel is a big-budget sci-fi series starring Priyanka Chopra and Richard Madden, being directed by the Russo Brothers, of Avengers Endgame and The Gray Man-fame.

Samantha will be seen sharing screen space with Varun Dhawan in 'Citadel'.

Apart from 'Citadel', Samantha will also be seen in 'Shaakuntalam'.

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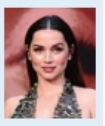
## Nude scenes will go viral? Ana finds that disgusting



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# Dasara deadline missed: NHAI gives six-month extension

## Bengaluru-Mysuru expressway misses its Dasara deadline, to be completed by December 30 now

With the Bengaluru-Mysuru highway far from complete, it will miss the Dasara deadline. The National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) has given a six-month extension for the concessionaire to complete the work.

In a reply to a question, PWD Minister CC Patil in the Legislative Council recently said the work is 93% complete at Rs 1,041.27 crore. "As per the agreement signed with the concessionaire, the work was to be done by June 7, 2022. But, due to covid, the work got delayed and now it has been given a six-month extension. It is estimated work may be completed by December 30, 2022," Patil said.

However, sources said that the recent rainfall has further delayed the project. The officials said their focus is to complete the main carriageway and the bypass to allow traffic movement. Later, the service roads will be completed.

Following the deluge of the highway, there has been a hue and cry over the quality of road works. Even former Chief Minister HD Kumaraswamy and KPCC President DK Shivakumar who toured the highway have alleged substandard quality works.

However, in the reply, Patil said that the road works have been taken up as per the guidelines laid down by

**Mysuru MP Pratap Simha and officials inspecting Srirangatna by pass road works**

is 31.3 mm and Ramanagar is 31.7 mm. However, Bidadi received 296.8 mm and Ramanagar received 324.4 mm. He said that a school near Kanamanike had encroached on a nearby lake which resulted in flooding of the road. A lake next to the Sheshagiri Halli toll plaza had overflowed due to heavy rainfall. As a result, two culverts on the highway have been damaged. To prevent such incidents, there is a need to construct cross drains and drainages at Sangabasavanadoddi, he added.

Patil said, following the request of Cauvery Neeravari Nigam, NHAI has decided to take up construction of lining and retaining walls of water channels that criss-cross the highway at various places. The works have been divided into two phases; Bengaluru-Nidaghatta and Nidaghatta-Mysore sections. A 4.22 km flyover is being built near Panchamukhi Ganesha temple.

The Bengaluru-Mysuru section will have 53 km of Greenfield roads in the form of bypasses; Bidadi (seven km), Ramanagara-Channapatna (22 km), Maddur (Seven km including 3.5 km of elevated highway), Mandya (ten km) and Srirangapatna (seven km). A new lay-bye will be created at Ramanagar Bypass Road.

Toll booths will come up at Kumbalgodu and Srirangapatna. The authorities have also identified 69 junctions that will have 50 underpasses and 19 flyovers. — **Prakash VL**


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# Break in heavy rain in B'luru till October

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September was one of the wettest months in the recorded history of Bengaluru. However, rains seem to have reduced in the city after the first week of record rainfall. Now, Met experts say that there may not be heavy rainfall in the city till the first week of October. Meanwhile, Mercury is slightly going up in the city with an almost clear sky.

GS Srinivas Reddy, senior consultant at Karnataka Disaster Management Authority told Bangalore Mirror, the South West Monsoon has weakened in the south interior Karnataka and hence rains have disappeared for now.

"We are not foreseeing heavy rainfall till October first week, however, we may expect rainfall on September 29 but there are no alerts of any heavy waves. The SW monsoon has begun withdrawal from Rajasthan and the withdrawal in the State may be by mid-October and during the retreating phase, we may expect the rainfall though it is too early to say." Cumulatively, Bengaluru has received 1,011 mm of rainfall this year (till September 7) which is the highest since 2015 and 107% more than the average rainfall (490 mm).

Meanwhile, the Met department has predicted isolated very light to light rains likely over BBMP area with maximum and minimum temperatures likely to be around 29 and 20 degree Celsius respectively. In the State, one can expect scattered to fairly widespread very light to moderate rains likely over coastal Karnataka and Malnad districts and isolated to scattered very light to light rains likely over south and north interior regions of the State in the next two days.

Though the city receives a majority of rainfall from the South west monsoon, the weather systems during north east monsoon can also bring rain if there are cyclonic formations closer to Bengaluru. Reddy said that as of now there has been no prediction of this year's impending cyclones.

However, according to the Twitter handle of Pondicherry and Tamil Nadu weatherman, there could be above normal rainfall in Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry during NE monsoon. In a tweet recently, he said that the Bay of Bengal may host some stronger cyclones this year. "North East monsoon may commence between October 21-28 between Nellore and Nagapattinam," he said in a tweet.

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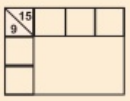
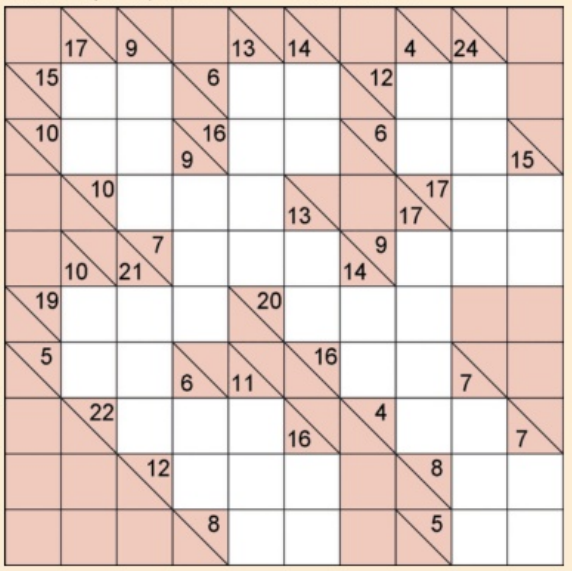
## Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.



Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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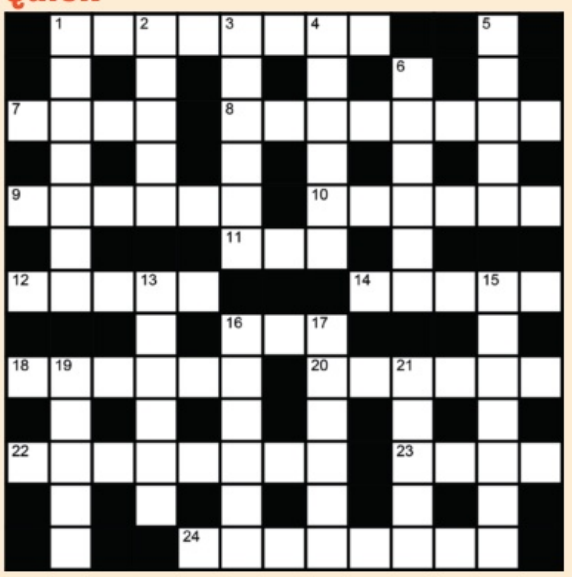


**ACROSS**

1 Intellectual (8)
7 Capital of W Samoa (4)
8 Basis of language (8)
9 Displease (6)
10 Fills with consternation and horror (6)
11 Our star (3)
12 Obstruct (5)
14 Started (5)
16 ATM need (3)
18 Overly inquisitive (6)
20 Derive, develop or mature (6)
22 Took place (8)
23 The orient (4)
24 Arabian sheikdom (3,5)

**DOWN**

1 Optimistic or confident (7)
2 Fierce look (5)
3 Planks (6)
4 Bereaved child (6)
5 Subdue or quash (5)
6 Representative type; example (6)
13 Sounds like a bird? (6)
15 Bangalore cinema home to India's first 4k screen (7)
16 Former President ___ Mukherjee (6)
17 Required (6)
19 Some exams (5)
21 Musical drama (5)

## Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

**Today's CLUE: L EQUALS B**

IWKA XIT PKA CA LGVCAKVV QHIQEV QNUKK, TAK TO XWKP CV GAAKYKVVQUE.

## Linemaro

You are my favourite person in the world

## Mindchow

It's what you do in your free time that frees you ... or enslaves you

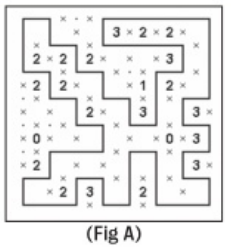
## Joke of the day

You can't have everything ... where would you put it?

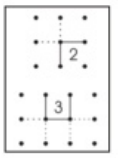
## Loop

### Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)

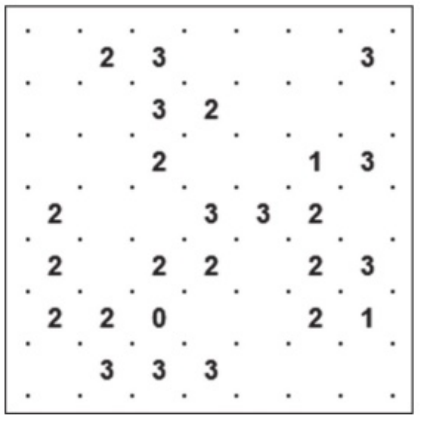


(Fig B) Not Allowed

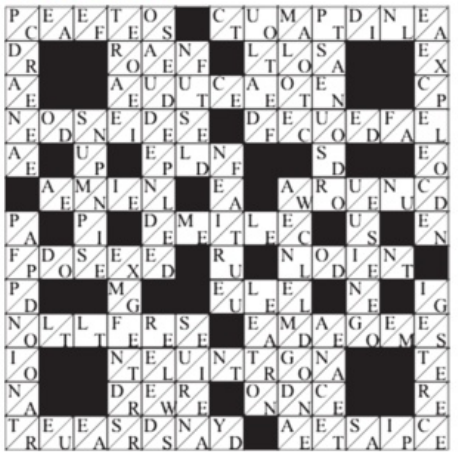
### How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



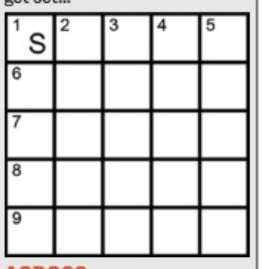
## Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

## Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



**ACROSS**

1 Shams; 6 Cater; 7 Or red; 8 Reefs; 9 Brief

**DOWN**

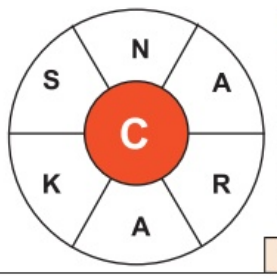
1 Off SC; 2 IR Arm; 3 Beard; 4 Terse; 5 Sheer

## Mensapuzzle

Multiply the lowest even number in the grid by the highest odd number.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 14 | 26 | 28 |
| 91 | 18 | 89 |
| 57 | 177 | 22 |
| 189 | 16 | 7 |

## Bull's eye




How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

04 Average; 05 Good; 07 Outstanding

## SudokuChallenge

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 6 | 5 | | 9 | 2 | | |
| 9 | | | 8 | | 7 | | | 1 |
| 1 | | | | | | | | 8 |
| 8 | | | 7 | | 6 | | | 9 |
| 2 | 7 | | | | | | 6 | 3 |
| 6 | | | 2 | | 8 | | | 5 |
| 4 | | | | | | | | 7 |
| 5 | | | 6 | | 1 | | | 2 |
| | | 8 | 9 | | 5 | 3 | | |

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

## Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

Easy = 17

1 4 6 6

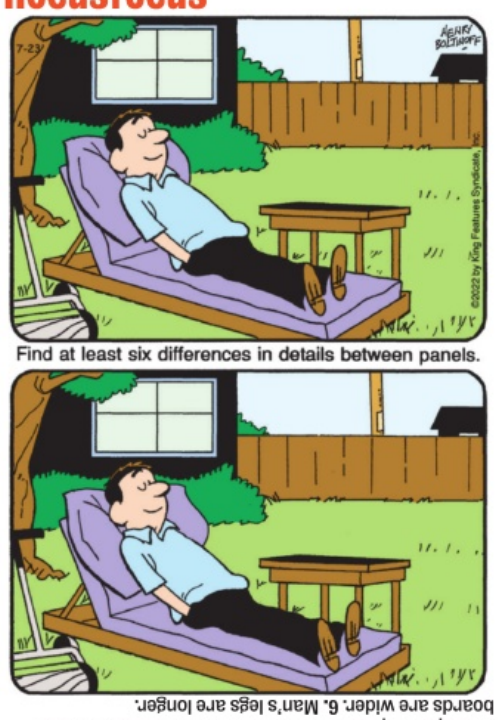
Medium = 26

4 7 7 8

Hard = 9

2 5 8 4

## Hocusfocus



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

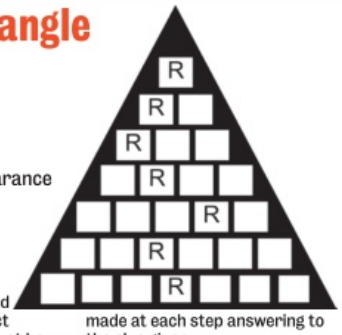
**Differences:** 1. Table leg is moved. 2. Pillow is larger. 3. Telephone pole is moved. 4. Bush is smaller. 5. Fence boards are wider. 6. Man's legs are longer.

## Riddler

Starting with I, add a letter and shuffle to make a new word each time and continue until you reach REDEFINE.

## Alpha triangle

1 Right letter
2 Again, prefix
3 Legal thing
4 Previous
5 Gaze fixedly
6 Flowing water
7 Improve in appearance




Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.


DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

# COMICS

## Redeye by Mel Casson

I TOLD TANGLEFOOT TO DISGUISE HIMSELF AS A TREE AND SPY ON THE PALEFACES
IT DIDN'T WORK, CHIEF!
SOMEHOW THEY BECAME SUSPICIOUS

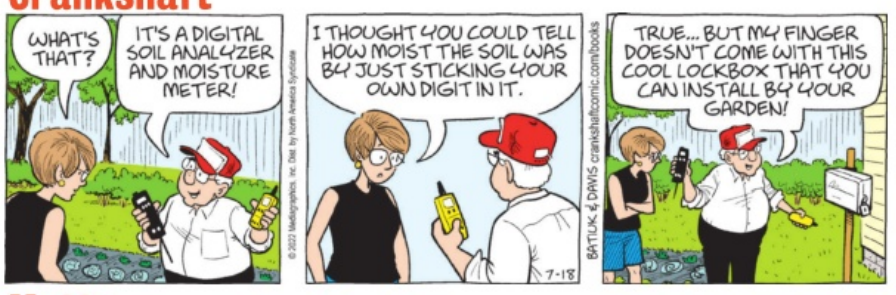
## Bizarrotrip

## Diamond Lil

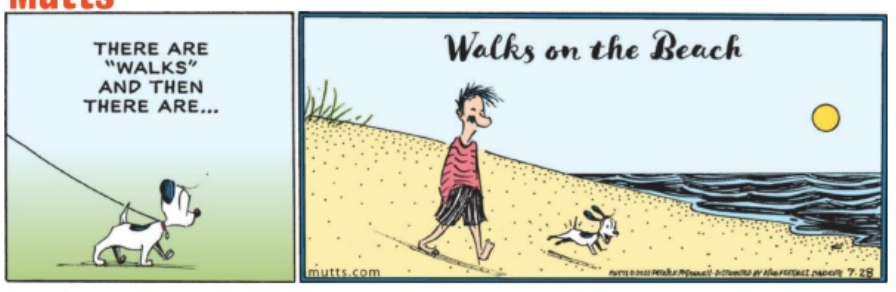
## Hart of the city

DANA IS STILL IN THE LEAD WITH THE BAKE SALE... I NEED TO STEP UP MY GAME.
FIFTH GRADERS! NOT ONLY WILL I LET YOU BUY MUFFINS FROM ME, BUT IF YOU GET MORE PEOPLE TO BUY IN BULK FROM YOU... I'LL GIVE YOU A BONUS!
...
SIGN US UP!

## Crankshaft


WHAT'S THAT?
IT'S A DIGITAL SOIL ANALYZER AND MOISTURE METER!
I THOUGHT YOU COULD TELL HOW MOIST THE SOIL WAS BY JUST STICKING YOUR OWN DIGIT IN IT.
TRUE... BUT MY FINGER DOESN'T COME WITH THIS COOL LOCKBOX THAT YOU CAN INSTALL BY YOUR GARDEN!

## Mutts




# WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

**Aries** Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today you are blessed by the moon, which will give you confidence. You may be able to take important decisions confidently. You are decisive, so you may grab any opportunity without a second thought. You will also plan for higher studies. You are likely to meet some intellectual people and exchange views with them.

**Taurus** Apr 21 – May 20
Today you may feel dull and find it difficult to complete tasks. This may affect your confidence. Your past investments may bring negative returns. You are advised to avoid arguments on worthless topics as it may waste precious time. You are also advised to control your expenditure on worthless items.

**Gemini** May 21 – Jun 21
Today you may feel energetic. You may perform efficiently at work. Your hard work may pay you off. This will boost your confidence. Property-related disputes with siblings are likely to be resolved now. A meeting with some influential person may boost your network. You may also expect some short trips.

**Cancer** Jun 22 – July 23
Today you are blessed by the moon, which will make you happy. You are likely to get a big order with the help of your communication skills. You are polite with the people around you, which may increase your respect. You can take some difficult decisions in business with the help of your colleagues.

**Leo** Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today you are blessed by the moon and it is a good day for you. You have good vitality and can enjoy work. You will share romantic moments with your spouse, which will improve domestic harmony. You are likely to make new plans to start a project. Jobseekers will find suitable work. Lovebirds are advised to avoid discussions on worthless topics.

**Virgo** Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today you may not feel good. Old health issues may arise and make you upset. You may take some wrong decisions due to impatience and hurry. It is advised to think twice before making any decision. It is also advised that you not keep money loose, otherwise you may spend it on worthless items.

**Libra** Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today you are blessed by the moon, which can make you happy. You are likely to have good gains from your past investments. You may be able to take quick decisions in terms of work, which may bring you good gains in the near future.

**Scorpio** Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today you may be busy at work. With the help of your strong network, you may be able to implement your plans successfully. Your wisdom may help you gain profits from past investments. You may enjoy romantic moments with your spouse, which will increase harmony in your domestic life. Lovebirds may enjoy happy moments.

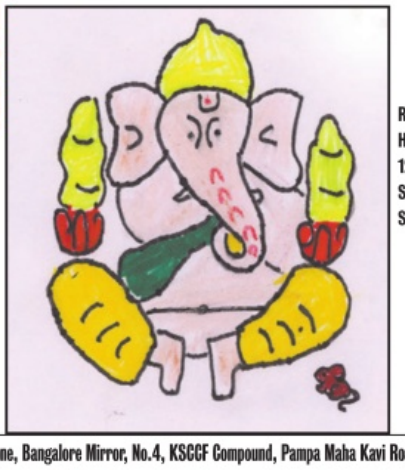
**Sagittarius** Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today you are blessed by the moon, which can make you happy. Last week's crunches are now over. You may get reciprocation for your hard work. With the help of your juniors, you may be able to reinitiate postponed works. There are some gains in your business, which may boost your finances.

**Capricorn** Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today you may feel dull and may have some health issues. You are advised to postpone making investments into business. It is also advised not to start new ventures. You are likely to face losses in business. Your gains may convert to losses.

**Aquarius** Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today you may be enthusiastic, which may speed up your projects. You may be able to take quick decisions, which will boost your business. You are likely to start a new innovation in your partnership. Investments in fixed assets with your business partner is not advised.

**Pisces** Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today you are blessed by Jupiter. You may feel healthy and old health issues may be cured now. Money that was stuck somewhere is likely to be recovered now. You may also apply for a loan for buying some items related to luxury.

## KIDZONE



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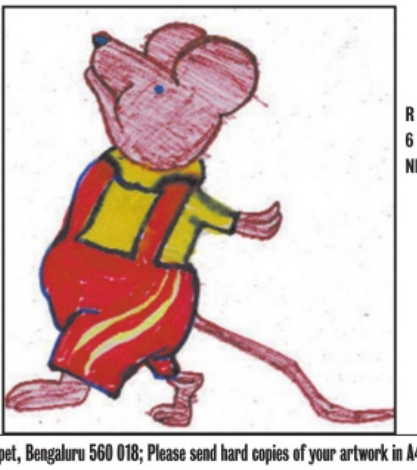

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# SOLUTIONS

**SOLVE IN 1M**
=(2^2019(2^3+1))/(2^2019(8+1))/(2^2019(2^2-1))
=(9*2^2019)/(3*2^2019)
=(9+2)/3
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**BULL'S EYE**
crank, rack, RANSACK, sack, scan, scar, snack

**FAST FIVE**

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**QUOTE UNCODE**
When two men in business always agree, one of them is unnecessary.

**STRIKE OUT**

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**RIDDLER**
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**SUDOKU**

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**ALPHA TRIANGLE**
R, Re, Res, Erst, Stare, Stream, Smarten.

**GO FIGURE**
Easy
6 + 4 + 6 + 1 = 17
Medium
4 + 7 + 7 + 8 = 26
Hard
8 + 2 − 5 + 4 = 9

**LOOP**

**KAKURO**

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Felicitator

Rajarshi Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade
Dharmadhikari, Sri Kshetra Dharmasthala.
Hon'ble Member of Rajyasabha

Recipient

## KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING FEDERATION LTD., BENGALURU

For being unanimously elected as the **President of Karnataka State Co-operative Marketing Federation for consecutive second time**

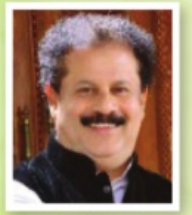
**Sahakara Ratna Dr.M.N.Rajenda Kumar**

To be honoured by prominent persons of co-operative sector

## Felicitation Programme

**Date: 24-09-2022 Saturday | Time: 12:00 noon**
**Place: SCDCC Bank Auditorium**

*Appreciation speech*



**Sri Aikala Harish Shetty**
President, World Bunts Federation (R.), Mangalore

*Greetings*

**Sri D.Vedavyasa Kamath**
MLA
Mangalore City South

*Chief Guests*

**Sri Kishore Alva**
President, South Indian Adani Groups

**Sri I.Deviprasad Shetty Belapu**
Director, Karnataka State Co-operative Marketing Federation Ltd., Bengaluru

**All are cordially invited**

**Sri VinayKumar Soorinje**
*Vice-Chairman*

**B.Niranjan**

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**M. Vadiraj Shetty**

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CEO (In-charge)

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## GRAND WELCOME

**Dr M.N.Rajendra Kumar will be accorded a warm welcomed at Mangaluru International Airport at 10.30 a.m today by prominent persons of co-operative sector after he assumed the charge of the President.**